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School plan advances

Proposal would cut property tax, hike income tax

By Bob Slate
Staff writer

After months of discussion and speculation, the Illinois House last week approved a dramatic change in the way public schools are funded.

The proposed education funding plan — initiated by Republican Gov. Jim Edgar and Democratic House Speaker Mike Madigan — includes a \$900 million property tax reduction, to be offset by a 25 percent increase in the state's personal income tax.

The plan was to have been considered by the Senate on Saturday. While House Democrats emphasized the property tax relief and added resources

'There is no guarantee that the property tax relief will be maintained.'

— Glenn Bradford
Plan opponent

for schools, House Republicans noted the tax increase. Under the proposal, the personal income tax rate would jump to 3.75 percent from its current rate of 3 percent. The corporate rate would remain unchanged at 4.8 percent.

The plan would provide \$614 million for schools, \$900 million in property tax relief, \$50 million in renters' tax credits and \$100 million a year for a long-term \$2.5 billion school construction program.

The bill was approved by a 62-56 vote along mostly partisan lines. In the GOP-controlled Senate, it is expected to meet strong opposition.

Among area legislators, Steve Davis, D-Bethalto, and Tom Holbrook, D-Belle-ville, supported the revamped school funding proposal, while Glenn Bradford, D-Glen Carbon, broke with party lines and opposed the measure.

Both Davis and Holbrook said Granite City schools will benefit from the new (See PLAN, Page 4A)

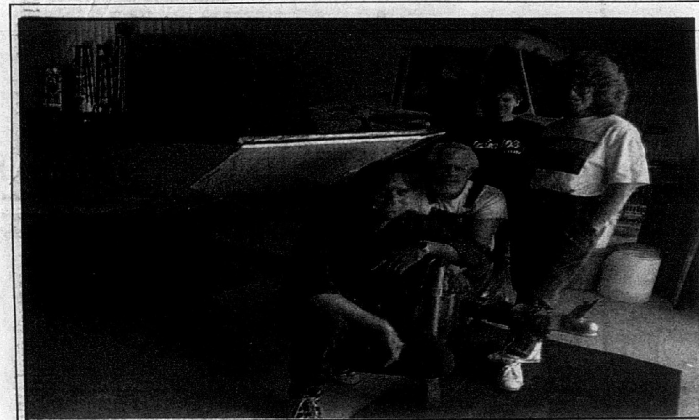
Spectacular July 4 promised

By Bob Slate
Staff writer

George Washington, Abraham Lincoln, Uncle Sam and Gen. Douglas MacArthur will be among the featured guests at this year's Independence Day celebration in Granite City.

"It will be the biggest, the most patriotic event and the most fun families have ever had in Granite City," said Dave Polivick, director of parks and recreation for the Granite City Park District.

The theme of the July 2-6 celebration is "Patriots in the Park." In addition to the previously mentioned historical figures, the celebration will feature a 100- to 150-member community choir, carriage rides, food and beverage booths, a (See CELEBRATION, Page 4A)



(Staff photo by JOHN FRESE)

Chuck Wagner, Vance Weill, Paula Weiss and Sandi Wagner in front of the Bubblemasters Underwater Recovery Team's boat and van.

To search and rescue

Underwater team celebrates 25 years of helping

By Michelle Duell
Staff writer

Imagine crawling along the bottom of a riverbed searching for a body without being able to see and following directions through fogs on a rope attached to the diving suit.

That is just what divers who search rivers for victims of accidents — boating and otherwise — are prepared to do, says 55-year-old Vance Weiss, chief of the Bubblemasters Underwater Recovery Team in Granite City.

"It's like sitting in a cave with the lights turned out," Weiss said. "It's that dark — darker than night."

When on a mission, Weiss said, he directs a

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— Vance Weiss
On working under water

crew of nine or 10 that consists of three divers, three boat drivers, two tenders, a van driver and a person who stays with the victim's family if it's a recovery mission. The team members are not paid for their work. They are a few volunteers called from 42 (See RESCUE, Page 2A)

Band director ousted; some parents upset

By Bob Slate
Staff writer

The Granite City High School marching band will have yet another director next year.

And some parents are angry. "The high school band has had five different band directors in the past four years. I think this fact alone says that there is a problem somewhere," said Debbie Moseley, a band parent.

The school board recently decided not to renew the contract of Tim Mason, Benjamin Jackels will be the new band director.

"Mr. Mason was on probationary status," said Superintendent Dr. Steve Balen. "I can't discuss the details, but we felt there was sufficient justification for not re-employing him."

Many band parents disagreed. Paula Weiss, a band parent, said Mason was not only a good band director, but also a good friend to students and others.

"We feel he was given a very raw deal," Weiss said. "He has the support of many of the band parents, the kids in the band, and co-

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— Debbie Moseley
Band parent

workers ... He is simply a victim of 'good old boy' politics."

Weiss said a couple of parents of disgruntled band students "made a lot of noise" to the school board, prompting the decision not to keep Mason.

"We feel the band program has suffered a tremendous loss," Weiss said. "The children are hurting as they are losing a confidant and friend and we are all going to miss him great (See DIRECTOR, Page 4A)

Grand jury indicts 2

By Nicole Vaughn
Staff writer

The man who allegedly jumped the counter and robbed Magna Bank in Collinsville earlier this month has been indicted by a federal grand jury.

Robert Paul Puklin, 41, of Aurora was charged with one count of bank robbery May 20 by a federal grand jury in East St. Louis. The charge stems from the May 2 robbery of the bank at 1 Eastport Drive.

Puklin allegedly entered the bank, jumped over a counter and grabbed \$2,225 before fleeing the bank. Puklin dropped (See INDICTS, Page 4A)

'My dad is best'

Contest seeks readers' stories

Fathers set the example we all live by. As we grow up, they work hard to provide the things we want and need and try to steer us in the proper direction. They put up with our dirty diapers, our poor grades and our wrecked cars, yet still love us enough to teach us to play ball, to help us with our homework and to be there when we need a friend.

Father's Day is June 15. The Granite City Journal wants to hear your story about your father. Readers are encouraged to send us essays telling us the reasons why their father is the best. We'll pick the best entry and run it in our Father's Day edition. In addition, the writer who submits the best Father's Day story will receive a gift certificate from a local restaurant to take dad to dinner.

Entries should be no more than two typewritten pages and must be received by 5 p.m. June 6 for consideration. Please include your name and telephone number so that we may contact you.

Send entries to: Father's Day, Granite City Journal, 1815 Delmar Ave., Granite City IL 62040.

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John Fuller, Meteorologist, KSDK NewsChannel 5

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Governor gets Homestead bill

Proposal would ease requirements for senior exemption

A bill designed to make life easier for senior citizens may not be necessary in Madison County, said Supervisor of Assessments Debbie Ming.

The bill, which already has passed both chambers of the Illinois Legislature, is awaiting Gov. Jim Edgar's signature. It was designed to remove the requirement that seniors must file applications every year to receive their Homestead

Tax Exemption

The original intent of the bill was to help seniors avoid an unnecessary trip to county offices to file for the Homestead Exemption every year.

The exemption, if granted, shaves off a flat \$2,000 from property taxes for seniors over 65 who own the home they live in. The senior Homestead Exemption is in addition to the exemption granted to

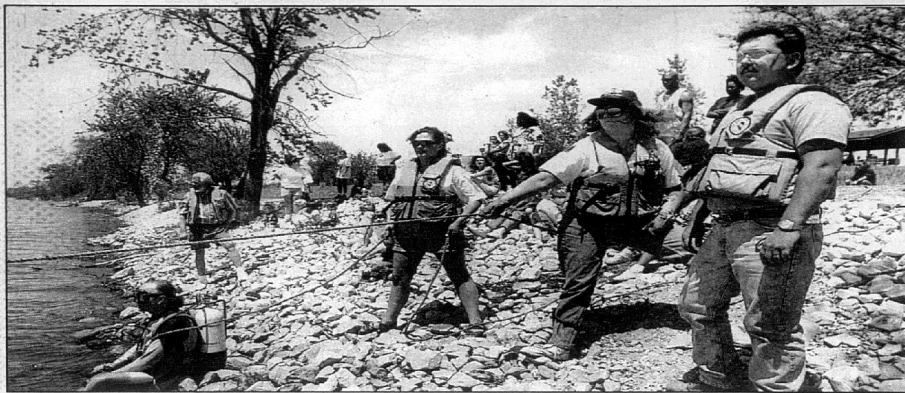
homeowners of all ages.

State Rep. Thomas Holbrook, D-Belle-ville, originally sponsored the legislation at the request of St. Clair County Supervisor of Assessments Patty Sprague.

Sprague said it is a hardship for seniors to drive to St. Clair County office buildings in Belleville to file for the exemption. But Ming said that seniors in Madison (See BILL, Page 4A)

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Jerry Morgan, right, watches as Carla Weiss tends a line for diver Mark Bowles (not in picture) while putting on a demonstration of the Bubblematters Underwater Recovery Team's skills at Horseshoe Lake. At left, diver Jeff Huebner waits in case of trouble with his line tender, Karen Dew. The lake and the rivers in the area are generally so muddy that the line is a diver's only way to find his location during a search while feeling along the bottom.

•Rescue

(Continued from Page 1A)

members to help in the search. Last month, the 42 BURT volunteers and their guests celebrated the recovery team's 25th anniversary with a cook-out at 4964 Old Alton Road, the location of BURT headquarters.

"We started in 1972 after sport divers were called upon by local police and fire departments for search and recovery work," Weiss said.

The volunteers now work throughout Madison County and surrounding areas for river work, drownings, weapons and vehicles, he said.

Weiss no longer dives himself, he said. He does have some memorable experiences, though.

The most memorable search and recovery in his career occurred at Frank Holten State Park, near East St. Louis, he said.

"It was the first (search and recovery) I was on, and I found a 6-year-old girl that was the same age as my daughter," Weiss said. "It's not the most dangerous dive I was on, but it stands out in my mind."

Another incident that Weiss said he remembers well involved two teenagers — a boy and a girl — who were found in a cornfield flooded with water about six feet deep.

"The boy could swim, but she couldn't," Weiss said. "She slipped and fell again. Both of them went under that time."

Of the volunteer members affiliated with BURT, not all are divers, Weiss said.

"It takes nine people to put a diver in the water. We have three divers, the reason being we're in the river with a lot of current."

The divers do not wear tanks with regulators on their backs for regular use, although they wear them for emergencies. Instead, air is pumped to them through a hose attached to a compressor on a boat.

Because a diver cannot see in river water, a tender on the boat tugs on a line attached to the diver, which signals directions.

The diver then crawls along the bottom of the riverbed feeling for a body, or whatever he is supposed to find, Weiss said.

He may have to search an area one-fourth-mile wide and one-mile long, he said.

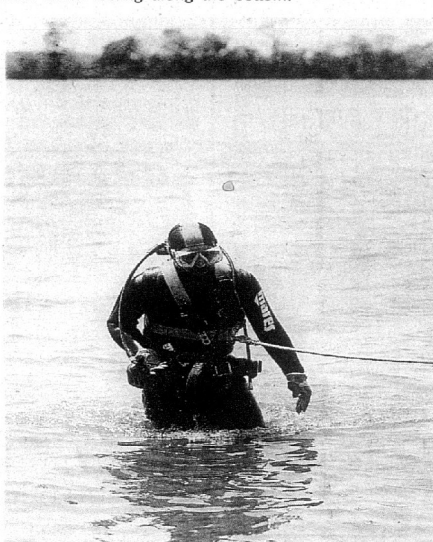
Divers can get caught in debris, Weiss said. He was once trapped in baling wire and debris. Another diver had to rescue him before the search could continue.

The tender probably has one of the most important roles, Weiss said.

"A diver is only a tool in the hands of the tender," he said. "You can have the best diver in the world, and he won't be any good unless he is being guided by a good tender."

BURT receives an average of 15 to 18 calls a year, Weiss said. It doesn't matter what season it is. He and his volunteers will go on a mission rain or shine, ice or snow, he said.

Weiss and his volunteers recently attended a training course in Chicago that was taught by personnel from U.S.



Mark Bowles emerges from Horseshoe Lake after a dive.

Treasury Department.

"Our standards measured up to 90 percent of what they were teaching," Weiss said. "I'm proud of that."

Weiss said the standards he and the volunteers used came from 25 years of experience that BURT has come to provide.

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Firm taking over clinic

FCS operation transferred

ALTON — A growing health care group will take over operation of the medical services center of Family & Community Services in Alton.

The center, at 550 Landmarks Blvd., will be transferred June 2 to Southern Illinois Healthcare Foundation, said Chuck Parr, president of Family & Community Services.

"We are pleased to transfer the center to SIHF to continue the excellent medical services to the Alton community. They are a strong and dedicated primary care provider."

SIHF will operate the facility as the Alton Health Center and will continue a cooperative venture with Alton Memorial Hospital.

The Family Service and Visiting Nurse Association adopted the name of Family & Community Services last month.

New federal health care regulations prompted Family & Community Services to transfer medical care to SIHF, Parr said.

"Under the new regulations, a group which provides medical care must have only one purpose, and that is medical services to the community. We are a multipurpose agency and, therefore, can't continue to offer medical services."

Family & Community Services will continue to operate its community counseling center in Alton, the Head Start program in Madison County and services to older people in the community, Parr said.

SIHF is a not-for-profit community health care foundation that provides primary health

care services to people at eight centers in southwestern Illinois, said Larry McCulley, SIHF's corporate director of education and information, with headquarters in East St. Louis.

SIHF will continue to operate the medical center in Alton with the same primary care doctor, nurses and staff, McCulley said.

"The people who visit the medical center in Alton will see the familiar faces of staff members," he said.

In 1996, 2,077 people visited the medical center in Alton for health care, Parr said.

The medical care is paid through Medicaid, Medicare and private insurance.

Under SIHF, people with small incomes and no insurance also can get health care on a sliding fee based upon their family size and household income," McCulley said.

Dr. Kathryn Followell, a staff member at Alton Memorial, will continue as the full-time primary care physician at the center.

"The residents can be assured that we will continue to provide quality services to local residents," said Bol Klutts, chief executive officer of SIHF.

In March, the former FSVNA sold its Visiting Nurse Association to Gary Liebscher of Marco Island, Fla., a businessman who specializes in health care businesses. He operates the association as a separate company called VNA Home Care Inc.

— From The Telegraph

Relay to aid Cancer Society

By Kimberly Haas

Staff writer

For 24 hours, more than 400 people will be walking, jogging or running to help the American Cancer Society.

The second annual Relay for Life will be held at the Belleville Township High School East track from Friday, June 13, to Saturday, June 14. For 24 hours participants will show their commitment in the battle against cancer.

Following the opening ceremonies on Friday at 6 p.m., over 100 cancer survivors are expected to take the opening lap of the relay, said Dick Schneider, co-chairman of the event.

Luminaries will light the way for walkers, each inscribed with the names of individuals who have survived or lost their battle against cancer. The luminaries can be purchased for \$5 each by calling Roy Baucom at 233-3383.

The luminaries will be lit during a special ceremony on Friday at 9 p.m.

Schneider expects between 40 to 50 teams, with 10 to 12 members each, to take part in the relay. He said event coordinators hope to raise about \$80,000 for the American Cancer Society.

"It's a team event that embodies and celebrates survivorship," he said.

The cost of registration is \$10 per person and each team is asked to raise a minimum of \$100 in cash donations. Those interested in registering should contact Beth Kraudel at 257-5155.

For information on volunteering, contact Jerry Wilmering at 397-9890.

Bugs Bunny stamp available until June 8

Move over, Elvis. The U.S. Postal Service's new Bugs Bunny stamp just might top the "King of Rock 'n' Roll" as America's most popular release ever. Postal customers and stamp collectors everywhere were introduced to the country's favorite "Wascaw Wabbit" on May 22.

Through June 7, kids in the Metro East area can discover "What's up Doc?" for themselves. That's because the Postal Service and Six Flags have teamed up to sponsor a "Bugs Bunny Coloring Contest" for kids ages six to 12.

Post offices in zip code areas with the prefix 620, 622, 631, and 633 will participate in the

contest and no purchase is necessary to enter. The Metro East's 286 post offices will offer free Bugs Bunny coloring post-entry forms during normal business hours.

Each postmaster or branch manager will select a finalist from entries received. Those finalists will be judged and 100 winning contestants will receive two free passes to Six Flags to meet Bugs Bunny on Wednesday, June 25.

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Godfrey woman speaks out for the disabled

She addresses legislators in Washington

GODFREY — Speaking out is an American tradition, and a Godfrey woman is doing just that on behalf of people with serious illnesses. Julie Full-Lopez recently returned from Capitol Hill in Washington, D.C., where she talked to lawmakers about health issues and the importance of adequate funding for research.

"If we lift our voices, we can help encourage some change — in this case, some health care reform bills," said Full-Lopez, who was serving as spokeswoman for the Gateway Area Chapter of the Multiple Sclerosis Society.

She knows how speaking up can make a difference. "Last summer, I was in Washington fighting for passage of the Kennedy-Kassebaum Bill," she said. "It will go into effect this summer."

The bill will prevent health insurance exclusion because of pre-existing medical conditions and provide other protections for the consumer.

Full-Lopez also knows firsthand the value of research and how much difference a new medicine can make. She was almost put out of commission by multiple sclerosis until a new drug, Betaseron, sent her disease into remission several years ago.

Giving the National Institutes of Health enough funding for research is the key, Full-Lopez said.

She talked with U.S. Reps. John Shimkus and Jerry Costello of Illinois and other legislators, putting a human face on the disease that had crippled her. But she said she represented all people with chronic or serious diseases.

The average person has so much to tell politicians what it's like living with a disease, what it's like to have a disability, what it's like to fight Medicare for coverage of medicine, or what it's like to live without medicine you need."

— Julie Full-Lopez

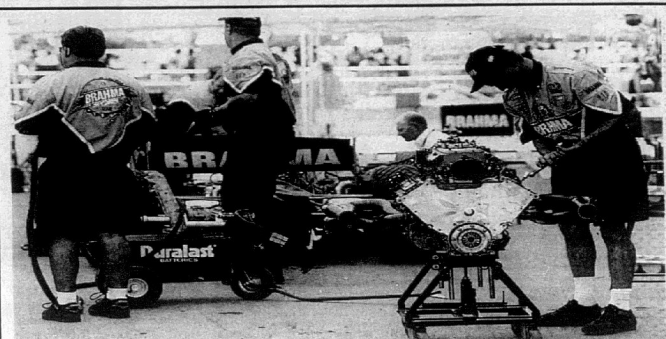
"They're all concerned about the same issue — health care for Americans," she said. Full-Lopez said she believes that bearing personal stories from real people can make a difference to legislators.

"The average person has so much to tell politicians what it's like living with a disease, what it's like to have a disability, what it's like to fight Medicare for coverage of medicine, or what it's like to live without medicine you need," she said.

She said she and others like her hope to form alliances with other groups representing other chronic diseases.

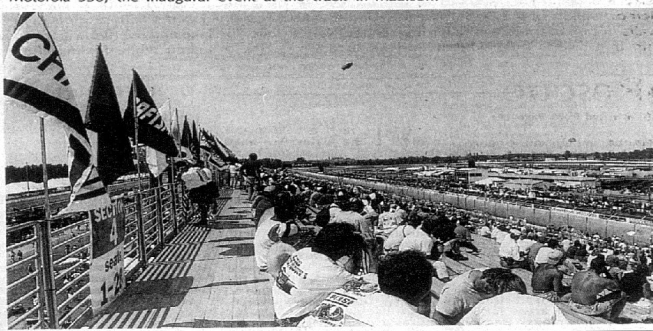
"We need a louder chorus of voices," she said. "That's the whole point of people speaking out, whether it's for breast cancer or MS. People put a face with the cause."

— From The Telegraph



(Staff photos by JOHN FRESSE)

Race time — Above, mechanics for Team Brahma, sponsored by a Brazilian brewery, do last-minute engine tweaks before qualifying runs at Gateway International Raceway. Below, spectators in the grandstand watch qualifiers. Some 47,500 spectators turned out for the Motorola 330, the inaugural event at the track in Madison.



Police seeking missing woman

Police were receiving calls Friday about a missing Collinsville woman, but she still had not been found at press time Friday.

Police are searching for Gladys Kohl, 54, who walked

away from her home in the 300 block of Garnet in Collinsville about 2 p.m. Tuesday and has not been seen since.

Authorities said that Kohl, a diagnosed paranoid schizophrenic, is suffering from a chemical imbalance. She has not been taking prescribed medication, which had controlled her illness, and is therefore considered a threat to herself.

Because of her mental condition, authorities said that Kohl should not be approached. Kohl's sister, Betty Wilke, said that Kohl likely will try to

avoid detection rather than confront anyone.

"The most important thing is that she needs her medication," Wilke said.

Kohl is a white female, approximately 5 feet, 5 inches tall, and weighing about 260 pounds. She has dark brown hair and hazel eyes.

When she was last seen, she was wearing a blue hooded jacket with the sleeves cut off and a pair of dark-colored pants.

Anyone with any information about Kohl's disappearance should call police at 344-2131.

Community Chorale ends season

Metro-East Community Chorale has completed its 1996-1997 season of fine music.


The May 1997 concert, "Songs for Spring," under the direction of David Ludwig, and accompanist, Linda Danford, included a wide range of musical settings.

"Beautiful Savior," Spirituals, fine hymns and from "Pal Pa Haugen," (translated Paul and his chickens), were all sung superbly.

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Schwertmann, John

JOHN SCHWERTMANN, 81, of Granite City died at 10 p.m. Tuesday, May 27, 1987, at Christian Northeast Hospital in St. Louis following a brief illness. He was born Oct. 28, 1915, in Culbertson, Mont.

Mr. Schwertmann was a U.S. Army World War II veteran, was employed for 35 years at the Melvin Price Support Center in Granite City as a supervisor. He was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church in Madison, American Legion Post 307, Madison VFW Post, AARP Chapter 1340 of Granite City and Granite City Senior Social Club. He also attended Retired Federal Employees Association and Walk-On. Survivors include three daughters, Jean Hoffman of Maryville, Susan Burmeister of Granite City and Marilyn Humphreys of Bloomington; eight grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Rose (Donoff) Schwertmann, whom he married July 6, 1940, in Madison, and who died Jan. 26, 1986; his parents, George and Josephine (Adam) Schwertmann; two brothers, Joseph and Carl Schwertmann; and one sister, Caroline "Lena."

Services were Saturday, May 31, at St. Mary's Catholic Church, 108 and Alton, Madison, with the Rev. Jim Keefner officiating. Burial was in Calvary Cemetery, Glen Carbon. Memorials are suggested to St. Mary's Catholic Church of Madison. Arrangements were handled by Thomas Mortuary, 2205 Pontoon Road, Granite City.

Lipscomb, Marian E.

MARIAN E. (SHANNON) LIPSCOMB, 73, of Granite City died at 8 p.m. Monday, May 26, 1987, at the St. Elizabeth Medical Center following a six-month illness. Born Nov. 11, 1923, in Granite City, she had been a life-long resident.

Mrs. Lipscomb was a former beauty operator at Marlan's Beauty Shop in downtown Granite City. She was a member of Fraternal Order of Eagles Aerie 1128, Moose Lodge (past) Chapter 247, Navy Mothers Chapter 850, D.A.V. Auxiliary Chapter 53 and Eastern Star 850.

Survivors include one daughter, Pat Clatts of Granite City; one sister, Margaret Halighin of Albuquerque, N.M.; and one grandson. She was preceded in death by her husband, "Goo" Lipscomb Jr., whom she married in 1947 at First Presbyterian Church in Granite City, and who died in 1960; and her parents, Abe and Anna (Cattin) Shannon.

Services were held Friday, May 28, at Mercer Chapel with the Rev. Dr. Lewis Trotter officiating. Burial was in Sunset Hill Memorial Estates, Glen Carbon.

Maples Eugene B. EUGENE B. MAPLES, 78, of Granite City died at 8:05 p.m. Saturday, May 24, 1987, at Christian Northeast Hospital in St. Louis. He was born May 5, 1919, in St. Louis.

Mr. Maples worked for the federal government, retiring 10 years ago as an inspector for the inspector

general's office in Fairfax, Va. He was a member and deacon of Third Baptist Church and a World War II U.S. Air Force veteran.

Survivors include his wife, Deloyce (Craig) Maples; five daughters, Judith, Deborah and Kathleen Wilgus, both of Columbus, Ohio; JoAnn Bleke of Salem, Mo.; and Diane Simon and Nancy Hemphill, both of Granite City; four sons, Jack, Maples of Kansas City, Mo.; Jim Maples of Copperas Cove, Texas; David Maples of Charlotte, N.C.; and Thomas Maples of Longview, Texas; 21 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Jack and Nella (Brigman) Maples; and his first wife, Nadine (Little) Maples, who died in 1977.

Services were Tuesday, May 27, at Irwin Chapel, 3980 Maryville Road, Granite City, with the Rev. Chris Cupples officiating. Burial was in Sunset Hill Memorial Estates, Glen Carbon.

Memorials are suggested to Third Baptist Church, 29th and Grand, Granite City.

Wise, Dolly May DOLLY MAY (BOWSER) WISE, 70, of Granite City died at 7:30 a.m. Friday, May 30, 1987, in Maryland Heights, Mo. She was born in Steelville, Mo., she was a lifelong resident of Granite City.

Mrs. Wise retired in 1992 from Servation at Granite City Steel Plant. She was formerly employed by Cline's Restaurant in Granite City and a former member of Grace Baptist Church.

Survivors include her husband, Ed; three sons; one daughter; three sisters; Ann Goldschmidt of Indiana, Amelia Schenck of Madison; and Rose Schmitt of Granite City; one brother, Jim Wondra; and five grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Joseph and Anna (Muk) Wondra; and one brother, Frank Wondra.

She was in Forest Lawn Cemetery, Cypress, Calif.

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Survivors include three sons, Dave and Ken Wise both of Granite City and Ken Wise of Mt. Olive; one daughter, Rose, of Granite City; and two great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, William and Lydia (Gill) Backover; three brothers, Bill, Rich and Jim Backover; and one grandson.

Visitation will be from 5 - 8 p.m. today, Sunday, at Irwin Chapel, 3980 Maryville Road, Granite City. Services will be held Monday, June 2, at Irwin's Maryville Road Chapel. Service time is pending. Burial will be in Sunset Hill Memorial Estates, Glen Carbon.

Wylie, Mary (Wondra) MARY (WONDRA) WYLIE, 73, of

Pamona, Calif., formerly of Madison, died Sunday, May 11, 1987.

Mrs. Wylie, born and raised in Madison, was a former member of St. Mary's Catholic Church, 1621 10th, Madison.

Survivors include her husband, Ed; three sons; one daughter; three sisters; Ann Goldschmidt of Indiana, Amelia Schenck of Madison; and Rose Schmitt of Granite City; one brother, Jim Wondra; and five grandchildren.

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GROTHE, 59, of Granite City died at 6:50 p.m. Wednesday, May 28, 1987, at Collinville Care Center. She was born March 21, 1928, in East St. Louis.

Survivors include one daughter, Margaret Brewer of Granite City; one son, Gene Anthony Record of Caseyville; and two sisters, Patricia Parvin and Anthea Richmond both of Collinville.

She was preceded in death by her parents, William and Thelma (Hensley) Hamilton.

Gravelside services are scheduled for 1 p.m. Tuesday, June 3, at St. John Cemetery in Collinville.

Arrangements were handled by H. Kessly Funeral Home, 515 Vandallia, Glen Carbon.

Munzert, Vernon M. VERNON M. MUNZERT, 77, of Glen

Carbon died at 12:40 a.m. Thursday, May 29, 1987, at Anderson Hospital in Maryville. He was born July 3, 1919, in Glen Carbon.

Mr. Munzert retired in 1983 from Granite City Steel after 36 years as a pipefitter. He was a member of St. Paul United Church of Christ in Edwardsville and Glen Carbon.

Survivors include his wife, Lavone (Roberson) Munzert, whom he married Sept. 14, 1948, in Edwardsville; two daughters, Colleen Nelson of Edwardsville and Barbara Cline of Glen Carbon; one son, Steven Munzert of Paducah, Ky.; one sister, Gertrude Flaxbeard of Granite City; two brothers, Charles and Lester Munzert both of Glen Carbon; six grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Herman and Rose (Neola) Munzert; and two brothers, Harvey and Raymond Munzert.

Services are scheduled for 1 p.m. today, Sunday, June 1, at Mercer Funeral Home, 210 N. Kansas, Edwardsville, with the Rev. Robert Goddard officiating. Burial will be in

Buck Road Cemetery, Maryville.

Hallett, Allen ALLEN HALLETT, of Carlebad,

N.M., formerly of Granite City, died Friday, May 30, 1987.

Arrangements are pending at Kessly Funeral Home, 515 Vandallia, Glen Carbon.

Cunningham, Marion "Phil" CUNNINGHAM, 73,

of Pontoon Beach died Friday, May 30, 1987, at his residence.

Mr. Cunningham, a U.S. Navy veteran, retired from McDonald Douglas after 38 years as a flight and field inspector.

Survivors include his wife, Linnie Mabel (Cox) Lewis Cunningham; four daughters, Karen Johnson of Florissant, Mo.; Marian Viviano of Troy, La.; Dawn Ambrosino of Las Vegas, Nev.; and Cheryl McCabe of Des Moines, Iowa; five stepchildren, Christina Lewis of Pontoon Beach, James Lewis and Danny Dixon, both of Collinville, and Ricky Lewis and Tommy Dixon, both of Caseyville; one brother, Charles E. Cunningham; and six great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Phillip E. and Floasie (Neat) Cunningham.

Visitation will be from 5 - 9 p.m. Monday at Lake View Funeral Home, located on the grounds of Lake View Memorial Gardens, Fairview Heights. Services are scheduled for 11 a.m. Tuesday, June 3, at Lake View Funeral Home with the Rev. Delmer Shriver officiating. Burial will be in Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery, St. Louis.

Memorials are suggested to Hospice of Madison County.

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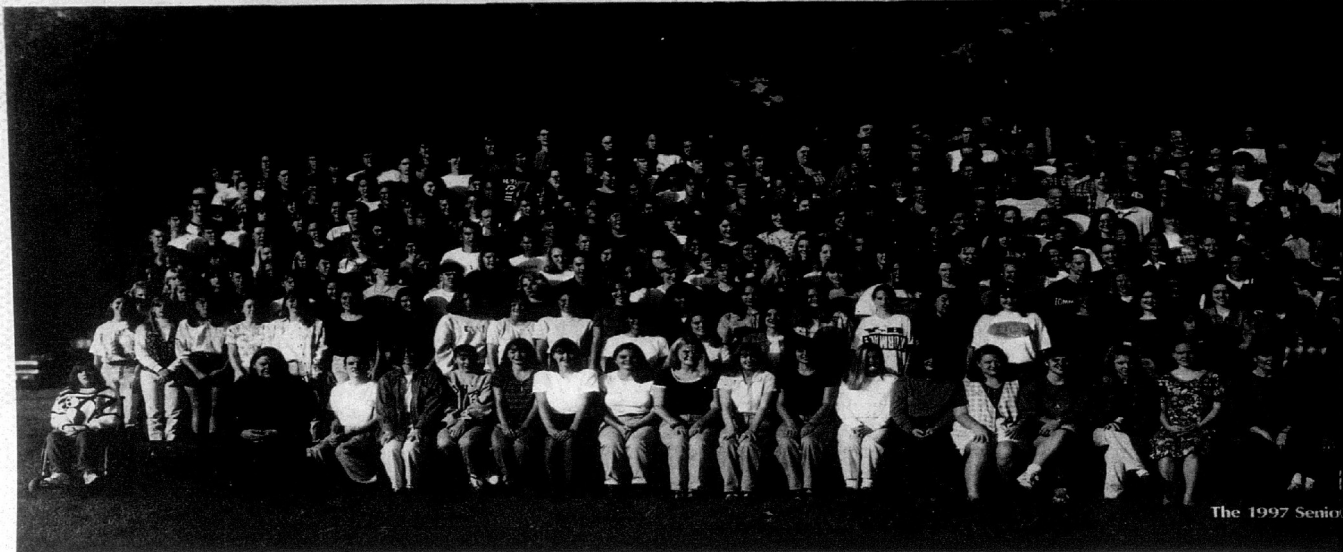
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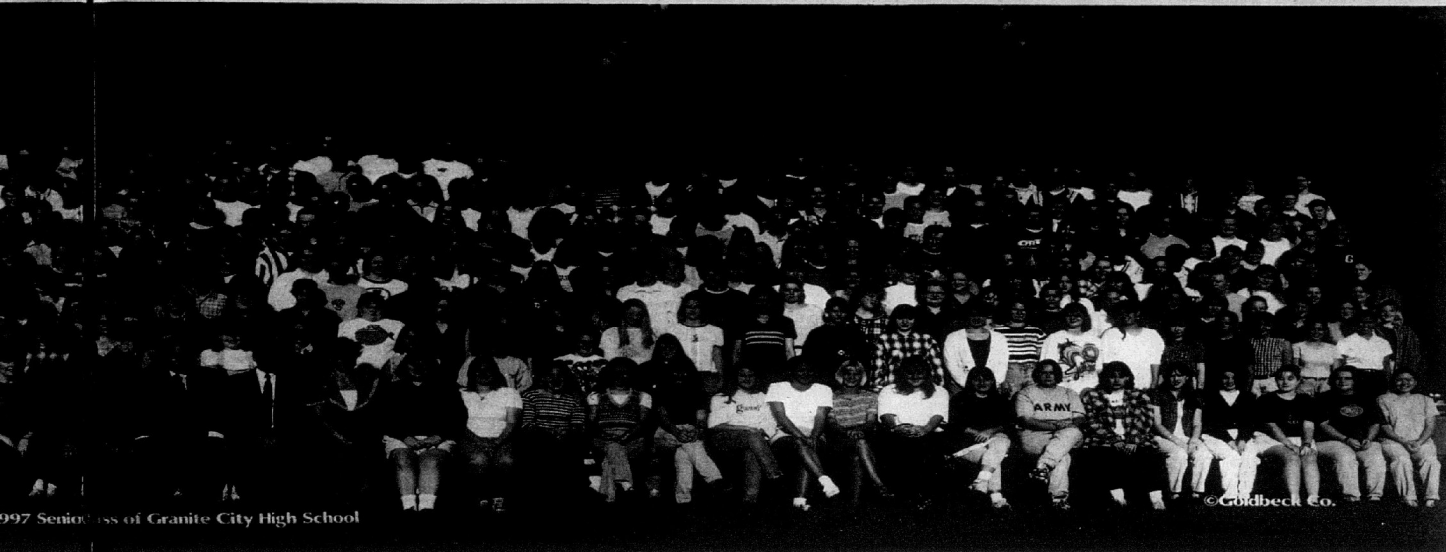
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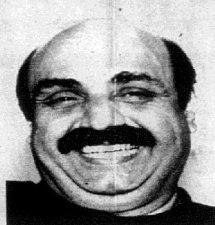
"Eating barbecue and catching five pound bass with the Mayor."
Keith Talley, 51
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Fire Chief



"Suffered from smoke inhalation while barbecuing for 25 people."
Danny Mendoza, 36
Granite City
Firefighter



"Day 1—working here at the firehouse, Day 2—spending time with my family."
John Miller, 37
Granite City
Firefighter



"Day 1—went to Edwardsville Gun Club with my family. Day 2—went to Fitz's Root Beer Factory with my family."
Greg Nighoboisian, 44
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Photos by Shirley Valencia
Interviews by Shirley Valencia
Interviewed at Granite City Fire Station No. 1

Founding fathers found price of liberty

By Margaret Price

On July 4, 1776, the United State of America was born. The how and why of our beloved country are much better known than the "who." But it was 169 years before that that it was conceived.

The first settlers had worked diligently, building substantial holdings for their families. So when it was time to separate from a tyranny, it meant starting all over again. All revolutions before and since were started by men who had not much to lose.

In June of 1776 a committee sat down to draw up a document to give them independence from Britain. King George had called all the American rebels traitors, and punishment for treason was hanging.

It took Thomas Jefferson 17 days to finish the draft, which Congress adopted in July. Fifty-six men placed their names on that declaration, but their names were kept secret for six months. As each signed his name, they pledged their life, fortune and sacred honor; they were risking everything.

If they won this fight, it would, at best, be years of hardship—and if they lost, they would be hung.

But they signed, and here is the fate of those gallant 56 men: Carter Braxton, a wealthy planter and trader, lost all his ships. He had to sell his home and property to pay his debts, and he died in rags.

Thomas Heyward, Jr., was captured when Charleston fell. Lewis Morris saw his land destroyed and his family scattered. Hessians took the home of Francis Hopkinson.

Thomas McKean was harassed so badly that he moved his family five times in five months. He received no pay from Congress; his family lived in poverty and hiding.

Richard Stockton was treated so badly after his capture that his health broke and he died at 51; his home was ruined. Francis Lewis' home was destroyed and his wife died in prison.

Phillip Livingston died within a few months from hardships of the war.

John Hart was forced to leaving his dying wife, and their 13 children ran in all directions in fear for their lives. He lived in caves and forests for more than a year. When he returned after the war his wife was dead, his children were gone and all his property was destroyed. He died in a few weeks from the shock of it all.

Thomas Lynch, Jr. was an aristocrat, and had a large plantation. He became very ill after signing the Declaration, so he and his wife left for France. The ship never reached France; it was never heard of again.

Thomas Nelson, Jr. raised \$2 million to buy supplies for the allied French fleet. He personally paid back the loans after the war, which wiped out all he had. The government never reimbursed him.

Nelson's home was occupied by the British General Cornwallis; he urged General George Washington to destroy the home.

John Hancock, remembered because of his huge signature, was a very wealthy man. One terrible night of the war, he stood on the outskirts of Boston and said, "Burn Boston, though it makes John Hancock a beggar, if the public good requires it."

Five of the 56 were captured and tortured by the British before they died.

Two of them lost their sons in the war. One had two sons captured.

Is liberty more important than security? These 56 men thought so, and they pledged everything they had to prove it. The price they paid—life, fortune, honor—was enormous. What price will you and I pay for liberty? Too often I wonder about that.

Margaret Price is an artist, mother and grandmother who lives in Waterloo. Views expressed in the Opinion Shaper column are not necessarily those of the Clarion Journal.

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Is speeding legal in Granite City? On Maryville Road right at 3 o'clock where Worthen School is letting out, cars are doing 50 mph. Does a child have to be run over before the police will do their job? Please patrol Maryville Road.

For school merger

Last week in this column I read a very interesting suggestion about merger of school districts. I think it would be a fantastic idea to consolidate the school districts and pool resources county-wide thereby providing better education and more options for students. It would enhance vocational education, special education and many other aspects of curriculum and instruction. It would also save thousands, perhaps millions of dollars in administrative costs to district. I just think that that suggestion should be taken seriously by the school administrators and they should formulate plans, perhaps making a goal by the year 2000 to have a unified county school district.

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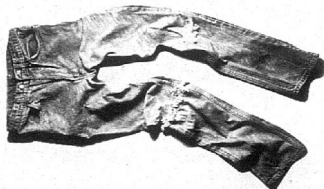
This is in regards to the "Short-sighted policy" Sound Off! in May 21, 1997's paper. The parent concerned over paying \$20 to the secretary of state (for a vision test so her child could take driver's education) was misinformed. Twenty dollars covers the cost of licensing teens under the age of 18 with an instruction permit. Part of that licensing process requires a written test and a vision test. The school and the state is providing a service to those teens and parents by having an examiner come to the school. The alternative is for the student and the parent to go to the examination station in Edwardsville, Granite City, Belleville or East St. Louis equipped with ID, birth certificate, Social Security card and proof of residency and current enrollment in driver education. In addition they will have to take a vision test which not only tests visual acuity, but also tests peripheral vision and depth perception.

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IN THE CLASSROOM

Johnson

Staci Johnson of Granite City recently graduated magna cum laude with a Bachelor of Science degree in biology from Truman University in Kirksville, Mo.



Johnson

While at Truman, Johnson was involved in Phi Sigma Pi National Honor Fraternity, Order of Omega, Funds Allotment Council, Alpha Phi social sorority and served as a rush counselor.

In addition, Johnson recently presented her research paper, titled "Does Inhalation-to-Exhalation Ratio affect Diaphragmatic Training Outcome?" at Truman's 10th annual Undergraduate Research Symposium. The Symposium showcases students' involvement and the diversity of research on campus.

Johnson is the daughter of Mack Johnson and Vicki Walker.

Truman State University became the official name of the university July 1, 1996. Formerly known as Northeast Missouri State University, the name change coincided with the 10th anniversary of the Missouri Legislature's designation of the University as the statewide liberal arts and sciences institution and honors the only Missouri to serve as president of the United States.

Kohl

Stephanie Kohl, daughter of Frank and Margaret Kohl of Granite City, was initiated on March 1 as a member of the Epsilon Chapter of Delta Delta Delta, located at Knox College in Galesburg, Ill. Delta Delta Delta, established in 1868 at Boston College, is a national women's fraternity that specializes in children's cancer charities and other philanthropies, as well as scholarship.

ships for its members, both undergraduate and graduate. Epsilon Chapter, founded in 1889, was the third chapter to be established in the nation and located on the Knox College campus.

Knox College is a small, independent liberal arts school, founded in 1837 with more than 1,000 students from 40 states and 29 nations. Knox's "Old Main" is a National Historic Landmark and is the only building remaining from the 1858 Lincoln-Douglas debates.

McMillan

Jeanine McMillan of Granite City has been named to the Dean's List at Millikin University for the fall semester.

To be eligible, students must earn at least a 3.5 grade point average on a 4.0 scale and complete at least 12 graded credits during the semester.

McMillan, a junior chemistry major, is the daughter of Charles and Marilyn McMillan of Granite City. She is a 1994 graduate of Granite City High School.

Patterson

Sarah Patterson, daughter of Cindy and Bill Patterson of Granite City, has been accepted for enrollment at Blackburn College for the 1997-98 academic year. Patterson plans to major in Elementary Education.

Patterson is a 1997 graduate of Granite City Senior High School in Granite City. Founded in 1837, Blackburn College is a four-year, independent, educational liberal arts college located about 40 miles south of Springfield. Blackburn is one of "work colleges" in which students are required to work in jobs involving the college's daily operations. The program receives widespread recognition in American higher education and keeps Blackburn's tuition the lowest of all private colleges in Illinois and among the lowest in the United States.

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Barron

Brett A. Barron received the B.S. Biology/Chemistry degree from Olivet Nazarene University, Kankakee, in the school's 84th annual commencement, Saturday, May 10. He was one of approximately 800 students to earn master's, bachelor's or associate degrees this year at Olivet.

Barron, a 1993 graduate of Granite City High School, is the son of Terry D. and Marcia E. Barron and the husband of Renee (Biggs) Barron all of Granite City.

Currently employed as a research associate for Centeon LLC of Bradley, he is presently undergoing application for admission to medical school for the fall of 1998.

Yehling

Karen Elizabeth Yehling received her Associates of Art degree from Lincoln College in Lincoln, Saturday, May 10.

The 130th annual college commencement ceremony program was a formal and solemn celebration of the academic accomplishments of the 160 students upon whom degrees were conferred. Over 700 relatives and friends witnessed the event in Davidson-Sheffer Gymnasium.

University President Jack D. Nutt charged the graduates to "aspire to greatness in whatever you choose to do, and to help someone else along the way." Nutt concluded his brief remarks by saying, "live your life, be happy and may God bless you."

While a student at Lincoln, Yehling was an honor student, and a member of Phi Theta Kappa nation-

al honor society. She was recognized by Swimming Coach Dan Hemmenway as outstanding, and won national All-American honors. In 1997, she was awarded the "most valuable swimmer" for the team. Yehling set new school records for the long distance events, 400 individual medley, 500 freestyle, 1000 freestyle, and the mile.

Yehling will be an assistant swim coach at Paddler's Swim Club in Granite City this summer under coach Celeste Furmanek. She plans to pursue her bachelor of Science degree at Millikin University in Decatur.

Yehling, the daughter of Mark and Donna Yehling of Granite City, is a 1995 graduate of Granite City High School and a 1991 graduate of St. Elizabeth Grade School.

Trice

Andrew Trice of Madison has enrolled in the Electronics Engineering Technology program at ITI Technical Institute, 13605 Lakeside Drive, Earth City. The local campus is one of a nationwide network of ITI Technical Institutes operated by Indianapolis-based ITI Educational Services Inc. (ITES).

The eight-quarter program, which begins June 1997, will help prepare Trice for an entry-level position in electronics.

Shannon

Amanda Shannon, a fall 1997 freshman from Granite City, has been named a Dean's Scholar at Bradley University in Peoria. She is a senior at Granite City High School.

Scholarship selection is based upon a combination of ACT or SAT scores, high school class rank and grade point average. Bradley's Dean's Scholars represent the top 5 percent of all college-bound students in the nation.

Oklahoma State honors top students

A total of 2,938 Oklahoma State University students earned recognition on academic honor rolls for the fall 1996 semester.

To be named to the president's honor roll for the fall session, a student must carry at least 12 hours, make no grade below an "A" and have no incomplete courses.

To be named to the dean's honor roll during the fall session, a student must carry at least 12 credit hours, make a 3.5 grade point average (B average) or higher have no grade below a "B" and have no incomplete courses.

JENNIFER PATTON, of Collinsville, and JILL EMMETT of Glen Carbon and SARA RAINER of Granite City all made the dean's honor roll.

BAC announces honor roll

The following is a list of students from Belleville Area College who were named to the Honor Roll for fall 1996.

GRANITE CITY:
"Perfect Grade Point (4.0): Sarah Biller, Marilyn Burdzialauskas, Carrie Cauble, Brian Cave, Charleen Coulter, Robert Dunham, Kristy Earhart, David Ethington, Chad Gibson, Paula Heffner, Judith Hoffmann, Jane Hoppson, Desiree Hutton, Robert Jellen, Dawn Margabe, Priscilla May, Keith May, Julie Merz, Kristina Modin, Nicholas Novacich, Kelly Padgett, Ryan Pickett, Patricia Pickett, Karen Powers, Kristina Ryan, Hillary Ryan, Jason Schaefer, Jason Schmidt, Brandy Strider, Leslie Sutterfield, Jill Talley, Mollaine Tapp, Albert Walker, Ricky Westbrock, Jerry Zessinger.

"High Honors (3.5 to 3.99): Kimberly Annable, Kimberly Baldwin, Kristin Bogue, Walter Bortz, Sonja Brumley, Cynthia Bueger, Aaron Burke, Scott Byrum, Carol Clark, Jason Crites, Audrey Delay, Kellie Dellamano, Kayla Dineff, Amy Duvali, Michael Ethington, Jacko Ferguson, Wayne Hagopian, Christine Hamm, Christopher Harrison, Eugenia Hays, John Longos, Valerie Matlock, Amberly Mayes, Clayton McGeehan, Randall Middleton, Tabitha Millam, Richard Milkovitz, Marcy Miller, Jennifer Neidhardt, Dawn Patterson, Sherry Phoungmalay, Jeffrey Pittman, Shawna Pool, Christine Rhoads, Jose Robles, Patrick Ryan, Melissa Sammons, Karl Schwagern, Jason Sheppard, William Smith, Kelly Sumpter, Robert Taylor, Mark Townsend, Colby Trotter, Tommy Ussery, Bridget VanVorst, Jeanine Wade, Tina Wallace, Elizabeth Williams.

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Opening — Family and friends recently joined Shirley Valencia to celebrate the opening of her restaurant, The Patio, at 1308 Niedringhaus Avenue in Granite City. The Patio is open for lunch from 10:30 a.m. until 3 p.m., Monday through Friday. Pictured, standing from left to right, are Chrissy Valencia, Rufus Valencia, baby Joseph Valencia, Michelle Tuetken, Rhonda Wilkinson, Sandy Pence, Shirley Valencia, Gail Valle, Becky Slate, Iv Slate, Carolyn Valencia, Janice Stanton and Bob Stanton, kneeling, Stephanie Tuetken, Tim Miller, Joe Valencia and Rhonda Peck.

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Banking in Daily family's blood

"It was an accident. I told (my friend) that I didn't think there were any opportunities in it."

— Charles Daily

Young, organized Community First Bank in 1988.

Daily is now president of the bank, after starting out in the industry as a teller at the former Lincoln Trail Bank in Fairview Heights in 1970.

The goal of Community First Bank's organizers was to offer more personalized service to people and small businesses. "Everything is done locally and the people know those making the decisions — that's important to small business owners," he said.

His father began his career in October 1945 as an accountant at United Bank in St. Louis. However, Charles Daily said he had not planned to go into the banking industry, saying a friend introduced him to the field. "It was an accident," Daily

said of his career choice. "I told (my friend) that I didn't think there were any opportunities in it."

"He told me to go look at the color of the hair of the men working in the bank," he continued. "Sure enough, they all had gray hair, showing opportunities for advancement. I had planned to go into the retail business."

During his 50-year career, Daily worked as an accountant, cashier, examiner, and assistant vice-president, along with being a chairman and director of several boards at various banks.

However, Daily said he never encouraged his son to follow in his footsteps. "If anything, I tried to encourage him to become an engineer," Daily said.

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Salute — A firing squad presented a salute to veterans during Memorial Day activities Monday in Collinsville. Members of the squad are, from left, Bill Coffee of Collinsville, Fred Acosta of Caseyville, Erv Schultz of Highland, Arthur Long of Collinsville, Walter O'Dell of Granite City and Harry Plumlee of Collinsville.

Band concert schedule set; first is Thursday at park

The Granite City Park District has announced its Big Band concert schedule for the summer of 1997.

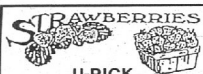
The concerts will be held on Thursdays at the Wilson Park Centennial Pavilion near 29th and State streets and feature drummer Stan Fornaszewski and his 14-piece orchestra along with vocalist Bonnie Fornaszewski.

The first concert of the series will be June 5. Subsequent concerts are scheduled for June 19, July 10, July 24, Aug. 7 and Aug. 21.

The Aug. 21 concert will feature the works of the late Glenn Miller.

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TUESDAY, JUNE 3 — Cinnamon toast (2), fresh orange wedges, milk.
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 4 — Pancake and sausage roll-up w/yrup, cup of strawberries, milk.
THURSDAY, JUNE 5 — Cereal, toast and jelly, fresh banana, milk.
FRIDAY, JUNE 6 — Waffles w/yrup, cup of blueberries, milk.

Lunch

MONDAY, JUNE 2 — Pizza, whole kernel corn, chilled pears, milk.
TUESDAY, JUNE 3 — Ham and cheese on deli bun, sliced carrots, mixed fruit, milk.
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 4 — Grilled chicken patty on whole wheat bun w/lettuce and tomato, mixed vegetables, cinnamon apple slices, milk.
THURSDAY, JUNE 5 — Sloppy Joe on bun w/pickles, potato wedges, sliced peaches, milk.
FRIDAY, JUNE 6 — Baked fish on bun, macaroni and cheese, green beans, pineapple chunks, milk.

Madison

Public Schools

Breakfast

MONDAY, JUNE 2 — Cereal, toast, milk.
TUESDAY, JUNE 3 — Donut, milk.
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 4 — Pork patty on bun, milk.
THURSDAY, JUNE 5 — Bagel w/jelly, milk.
FRIDAY, JUNE 6 — Cereal, toast, milk.

Lunch

MONDAY, JUNE 2 — Hot dog on bun, sauerkraut, potatoes, gelatin, milk.
TUESDAY, JUNE 3 — Pizza burger, baked beans, cinnamon rice, pineapple, milk.
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 4 — Ham sandwich, tomato soup, crackers, mixed fruit, milk.
THURSDAY, JUNE 5 — Meat loaf, potatoes w/grav, green beans, pudding, bread, milk.
FRIDAY, JUNE 6 — Pizza, corn, strawberry shortcake, milk.

Venice

Public Schools

Breakfast

MONDAY, JUNE 2 — Cereal, fruit, milk.
TUESDAY, JUNE 3 — French toast w/yrup, fruit, milk.
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 4 — Peanut butter and jelly sandwich, milk.
THURSDAY, JUNE 5 — Cinnamon rolls, milk.
FRIDAY, JUNE 6 — Sausage links, biscuit, milk.

Lunch

MONDAY, JUNE 2 — Chicken salad, lettuce, tomatoes, sliced bread, cookies, milk.
TUESDAY, JUNE 3 — Lunch meat sandwich, chips, fruit, milk.
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 4 — Spaghetti w/meat sauce, tossed salad, fruit, milk.
THURSDAY, JUNE 5 — Nachos w/cheese and beef, carrots, celery sticks, fruit, milk.
FRIDAY, JUNE 6 — Fish fillet sandwich, pickle slices, fruit, milk.

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ARIES (March 21-April 19). Others appreciate any thoughtful little gesture, especially a practical one. A younger or older person needs to confide in you. Festivities happen late in the week; snapshots will add greatly to the fun.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Boundaries are changing. A strong friend can be relied upon to pitch in. Health matters can be fixed, so check with your doctor again next week. An error is a clue to unconscious motivations.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Be a shrewd observer. Your best success comes from being careful with the details. A quiet chat with your mate or true love can put an end to doubts between you. Give romance the same attention you give work.

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work is under review. Wednesday features new clients or friendships. A child brings home a new friend for you to meet.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Take on extra responsibilities happily; you are the one who benefits. Enjoy a long-awaited intimate chat with a partner. Invitations from friends should be accepted; singles meet romantic matches.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (June 1). This month is lively with good news and optimistic plans. In July, a co-worker sends signals — this could be true love. Money to pay debts is made through extra hard work in August. Unexpected travel plans come up. Love with a Pisces or Aquarius leads to marriage. Couples renew vows and faith in one another in September. December and January see big moves.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Find a way to be close to those far away. This evening, others take your word for it, so know whereof you speak. Your own

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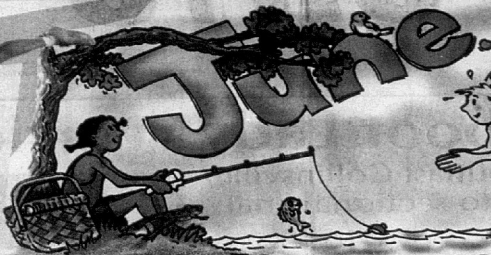
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 3. BOW - B + L =
 4. BELL - BL + EPH + ANT =
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 6. SNACK - C + E =
 7. TURN - N + T + LEG - G =
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 11. BEAK - AK - E =

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Pat
Heston

Veteran coach outfoxes foe in GCHS win

I hate to see soccer games determined by penalty kicks. Granite City's 1-1 (4-2 in penalty kicks) victory over Collinsville in the sectional semifinals on Thursday afternoon is a case in point.

Yes, I wanted to see the Lady Warriors win, and I was as impressed as anyone when they did. But, I didn't like the way they won. My preference is for soccer matches, particularly ones of this importance, to be settled on the playing field.

But I won't argue with the outcome...especially against Collinsville in the sectional semifinals.

But Thursday's game was not really won on penalty kicks. It was won, instead, by coaching strategy.

The veteran, Gene Baker, beat the youngster, Deana Wallace, with the game on the line.

The PK strategy began at the start of the second overtime session, when the teams battled through a 1-1 tie and Baker sent Shannon Roth and Julia Murphy off to the side to warm up.

Roth, injured since the Springfield Sacred Heart-Griffin game May 17, and Murphy, a backup keeper, had been on the sidelines through 90 minutes as Debra Aaron guarded the goal. But Baker, as always, was thinking ahead.

The game had "penalty kicks" written all over it beginning midway through the second half. And Baker was getting ready for the inevitable, while still playing the chance that his troops could win it in overtime.

But where Baker really outdid Wallace was in the few minutes between the second overtime and the start of penalty kicks and, later, during the PKs themselves.

The GCHS goalies were warming up, getting loose and staying loose after OT. But Collinsville's Mandy Waukukaitis was standing to the right of one goal. Just standing. For nearly the whole rest of the time, maybe three to five minutes, she stood still and alone.

She was also alone during the penalty kick session. The Lady Warriors' sideline, meanwhile, had a different look.

Baker had decided to rotate his three keepers and had the trio standing by the right touchline, where he stood with them, instructing them on strategy as each relieved the other.

Wallace, on the other hand, stood on the touchline toward midfield, while her keeper was three-quarters of the way across the field, essentially on her own.

When Julia Murphy charged the "Kahoks" second kicker, catching her by surprise and smothering her kick, it was clear Baker was going to pull this one out. And, after the second miss, he did.

It was a big win for the Lady Warriors. Their biggest of the season.

But it was more than that. If she was watching, it was a coaching clinic for Deana Wallace. Offered free of charge by Gene Baker, the best in the business.

Patrick Heston is the sports editor of the Granite City Journal.

PKs boot Lady Warriors past Kahoks

Kickers outlast Collinsville, advance to sectional final

By Brian Bretsch
Staff writer

Somewhere the soccer gods are smiling with pride following the masterpiece they drew up Thursday evening in the first of two sectional semifinal games in Granite City.

It was the typical, highly emotional 80 minutes of soccer between Granite City and Collinsville everyone in the stands expected. It was 20 minutes of overtime dominated by the Lady Warriors. It ended with a heart-pounding round of penalty kicks to decide the outcome.

It would seem almost unfair for a Granite City-Collinsville PK round to decide the game.

It did Thursday. After 100 minutes of soccer, with the teams knotted at 1-1, GCHS won the game by topping the Kahoks 4-2 on penalty kicks.

The Lady Warriors advanced to Saturday's sectional championship game against O'Fallon, which defeated Belleville East 2-0 in the second game Thursday.

GCHS coach Gene Baker, the ultimate master of tactics, used all three of the team's goalkeepers in the PK round. The strategy paid off as Julia Murphy came up with her big-

gest save of the season. "It's a different look," Baker said. "I've done it before. It's something we practice. It changes the pressure. It changes the intensity and we feel good about the tactic. Each of the girls possesses a different ability on that play."

Deb Aaron got the start in goal for the Lady Warriors as No. 1 goalkeeper Shannon Roth was on the bench still recuperating from a knee injury.

As the game went into the second 10-minute overtime, Baker had both Roth and Murphy warm up.

Michelle Montgomery gave GCHS the early lead in round of PKs when she converted her shot against CHS goalkeeper Mandy Waukukaitis.

Monica Roberts tied it with a goal past Roth. (See KICKERS, Page 3B)



(Photo by T.W. MILLER)

Felicia Mohsen looks for a teammate during Tuesday's 8-0 regional win over Belleville West. The Lady Warriors advanced to the Granite City Sectional championship game Saturday against O'Fallon with Thursday's win.

Granite City 1, Collinsville 1 (4-2 PKs)

COLLINSVILLE 1 0 0 0 — 1
GRANITE CITY 1 0 0 0 — 1

First Half
CHS — Cara LeMaster (unassisted), 58
GC — Crystal Timmons (unassisted), 11:37

Second Half
First Overtime
No scoring
Second Overtime
No scoring

Penalty Kicks
Granite City (4): Michelle Montgomery, Roder Simpson, Kaitlin Stovall, Jamie Dellbringe, Collinsville (2): Monica Roberts, Tasha Slope, 8 saves.

Shots on Goal
CHS 3 5 0 0 — 8
GC 8 4 0 1 — 11

Corner Kicks
CHS 1 2 0 0 — 3
GC 1 2 0 0 — 3

Goalkeepers — Collinsville: Mandy Waukukaitis (10 shots, 8 saves); Granite City: Deb Aaron (7 shots, 8 saves).

Granite City Sectional
Tuesday, May 27

Game 9: Granite City, 8, Belleville West, 0

Game 10: Collinsville, 3, Triad 1*

Game 11: Belleville East, 2, Althoff 1*

Game 12: O'Fallon, 5, Edwardsville, 0

Thursday, May 29

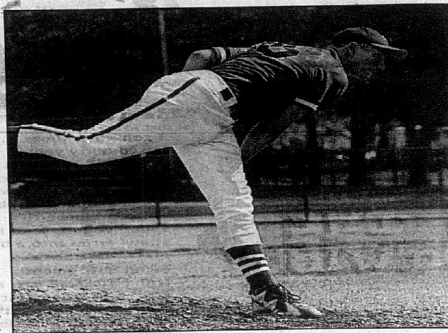
at Granite City

Game 13: Granite City 1, Collinsville 1 (4-2 PKs)

Game 14: O'Fallon 2, Belleville East 0

Saturday, May 31

Championship: Granite City (1) vs. O'Fallon (3), 1 p.m.



(Photo by T.W. MILLER)

Junior pitcher Dustin Brewer struck out 12 batters and allowed no earned runs in Thursday's Granite City Regional game against Civic Memorial.

Warriors' errors help Eagles to regional win

By Patrick C. Heston
Staff writer

It wasn't the way they wanted the season to end.

The Granite City Warriors committed two key errors leading to six unearned runs, five of them in the pivotal fifth inning, and lost to Civic Memorial 6-2 Thursday in the opening game of the Granite City Class AA Regional.

Wasted in the giveaway was a superb pitching performance by junior Dustin Brewer, who struck out 12, gave up only five hits and allowed no earned runs.

"Brewer did a very nice job," said GCHS coach Gus Lignoul. "You can't ask anybody to do much more than he did — a dozen strikeouts, no earned runs. He got us the

Civic Memorial 6, Granite City 2

CM 6 2 0 0 — 6
GCHS 2 0 0 0 — 2

CM: Farrell, Brooks, Priest, Ellis, Downes, Collins, Laffont, Miller

GCHS: Brewer, Parker, Epps, Colman, Ed, Farrell 2

Totals: CM 20 2 2 0 Totals: GCHS 7 2 12 6

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we let it slip through."

And, with it, the game.

CM jumped ahead 1-0 in the top of the first, despite the fact that Brewer faced only four batters — one of whom singled — and struck out the side.

Dusty Farrell, who was three for four on the day with two runs scored, led off the game with a sharp single to left. Farrell stole second as Jim Brooks went down swinging. He later stole third when Kevin Priest took a called third strike.

Jeff Hayden came out of his crouch from behind the plate and fired the ball to Eric Edwards at third in an attempt to cut down Farrell. But the ball sailed over Edwards' head into left field, allowing the Eagles to take the lead.

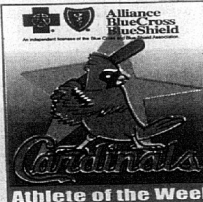
(See WARRIORS, Page 4B)

Tyler gets jump on way to state title

By Scott Marion
Staff writer

When the pressure was on, Jamie Tyler came through. Tyler, a junior at O'Fallon High School, claimed the girls Class AA state championship in the high jump May 23 in Charleston. She jumped 5 feet, 7 inches — the same height she reached last year when she placed second.

"There were four other girls at 5-7, but Jamie was the one who cleared it on her first try," coach Denise Lee said of Tyler, the Illinois Journal Athlete of the Week. "She had one miss in two days, not counting her tries at 5-8. She had a 5-4 jump in early



April, but in most meets she was jumping 5-3. The first (See TYLER, Page 3B)



Jamie Tyler
O'Fallon junior

Triad names Villa new soccer coach

By Brian Bretsch
Staff writer

It didn't take long for legendary Vianney High soccer coach Mike Villa to land on his feet.

Call it a hat trick for Triad High School. Villa, 50, has been hired as the Knights' new varsity soccer coach. He replaces longtime coach Harold Schwehr, who recently stepped down.

Villa's application as head coach and physical education teacher was approved by the Triad School Board at its May 19 meeting. On Friday, members of the Triad staff learned of Villa's hiring.

"I think it is a new opportunity for me to try to get involved with a growing program," Villa said. "Hopefully with a little luck we can compete with the Collinsville and Granite City on that side. As kind of a long range goal, that's something we would like to see happen at Triad also."

Villa's hiring puts Triad on the state soccer map. It will be interesting when Triad plays in the Gueller/CYC Tournament (See VILLA, Page 4B)

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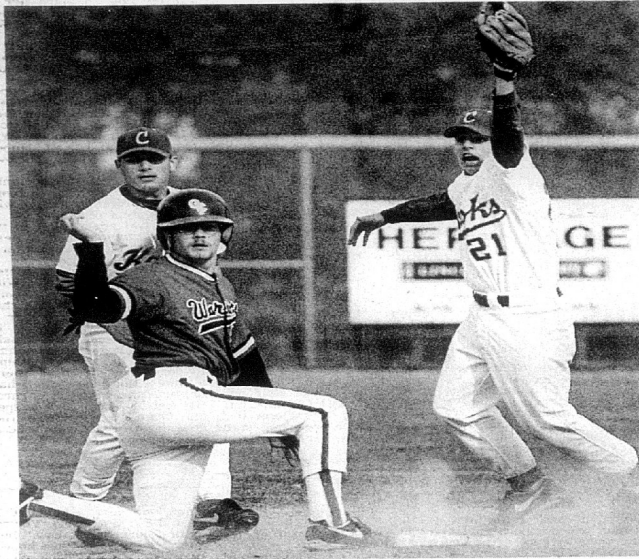
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Jason Dix and Collinsville's Jeff Muniz (21) look for the call on a play at second base.



(Staff photo by JOHN FRESE)

Felicia Mohsen makes her way past a defender.

PREP SOCCER

Granite City Sectional
Saturday, May 24
Game 1: Granite City 10, East St. Louis Lincoln 0
Game 2: Belleville West 2, Metro Lutheran 1 (OT)
Game 3: Collinsville 11, Carbon Dale 1
Game 4: Triad 8, Gibault 2
Game 5: Alhough 7, Marion 0
Game 6: Belleville East 2, Roxana 1
Game 7: O'Fallon 13, Cahokia 0
Game 8: Edwardsville 6, Breese Mater Dei 0

Tuesday, May 27
Game 9: Granite City 8, Belleville West 0
Game 10: Collinsville 3, Triad 1
Game 11: Belleville East 2, Alhough 1 (4-2 PKs)
Game 12: O'Fallon 5, Edwardsville 0

Thursday, May 29
at Granite City
Game 13: Granite City 1, Collinsville 1 (4-2 PKs)
Game 14: O'Fallon 2, Belleville East 0

LADY WARRIORS

1997 Soccer

Player	G	A	Pts
Michelle Montgomery	13	10	36
Amber Hubert	10	5	26
Amber Hubert	8	4	20
Amber Hubert	10	5	26
Amber Hubert	6	2	14
Amber Hubert	6	2	14
Amber Hubert	3	3	9
Amber Hubert	2	4	8

Championship: Granite City (1) vs. O'Fallon (3), 1 p.m.
Collinsville Super-Sectional
Tuesday, June 3
Championship: Granite City Sectional winner vs. Chatham Glenwood Sectional winner

State tournament
Friday, June 6
at Naperville Central H.S.
Game 1: LaGrange Lyons Super-Sectional winner vs. Morton Super-Sectional winner, 12:30 p.m.
Game 2: Naperville North Super-Sectional winner vs. Niles West Super-Sectional winner, 2:30 p.m.
Game 3: Collinsville Super-Sectional winner vs. Rockton Mononah Super-Sectional winner, 5:30 p.m.
Game 4: Stevenson Super-Sectional winner vs. Willowbrook Super-Sectional winner, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, June 7
Game 5: Granite City 1 winner vs. Game 2 winner, 9 a.m.
Game 6: Game 3 winner vs. Game 4 winner, 11 a.m.
Third place: Game 5 loser vs. Game 6 loser, 5 p.m.
State championship: Game 5 winner vs. Game 6 winner, 7 p.m.

Amber Hubert	2	2	6
Melissa Montgomery	1	2	4
Amanda Nibinski	2	0	4
Jayme Reub	2	0	4
Jennifer Williams	2	0	4
Jeana Jenek	2	0	4
Emily Worthen	2	0	4
Marla Skille	2	0	4
Connie Meyers	2	0	4
Goalies			
Shannon Roth	18	8	
Carrie Simpson	3	3	
Julia Murphy	1	0	



(Staff photo by JOHN FRESE)

Jan Shanafelt makes a throw. The Lady Warriors fell to Civic Memorial on Thursday in the opening round of the Edwardsville Class AA Regional.

PREP SOFTBALL

CLASS A
Pinckneyville Sectional
Saturday, May 31
Game 1: Sparta (19-10) vs. Lebanon (18-5), 10 a.m.
Game 2: Bunker Hill (24-3) vs. Gibault (24-9), noon

Monday, June 2
Championship: Winner Game 1 vs. Winner Game 2, TBA

State tournament
Thursday, June 5
at Mineral Springs Park, Pekin
Game 1: Beardstown Sectional winner vs. Braidwood Reed-Custer Sectional winner, 11:30 a.m.
Game 2: Casey-Westfield Sectional winner vs. Farmington Sectional winner, 1 p.m.
Game 3: Pinckneyville Sectional winner vs. Rock Island Alleman Sectional winner, 3:30 p.m.
Game 4: Warrensburg Sectional winner vs. West Frankfort Sectional winner, 7:30 p.m.

Friday, June 6
Game 5: Game 1 winner vs. Game 2 winner, 11:30 a.m.
Game 6: Game 3 winner vs. Game 4 winner, 1:30 p.m.
State championship: Game 5 winner vs. Game 6 winner, 7 p.m.

CLASS AA
Belleville East Regional
Thursday, May 29

Game 1: Belleville East 24, East St. Louis 0 (5 inn.)
Game 2: Waterloo 2, Mascoutah 0
Game 3: Belleville West 20, East St. Louis Lincoln 0 (5 inn.)
Game 4: O'Fallon 3, Cahokia 0

PREP BASEBALL

CLASS A
Marissa Sectional
Saturday, May 31
Game 1: Gibault vs. Freeburg, 10 a.m.
Game 2: Nashville vs. Wesclin, noon

Monday, June 2
Championship: Winner Game 1 vs. Winner Game 2, 4 p.m.

CLASS AA
Belleville West Regional
Thursday, May 29

Game 1: Waterloo 6, East St. Louis 5
Game 2: Cahokia 12, East St. Louis Lincoln 1

Saturday, May 31
at Belleville West
Game 3: Waterloo (4) vs. Belleville West (1), 10 a.m.
Game 4: Cahokia (3) vs. Collinsville (2), noon

Tuesday, June 3
Championship: Winner Game 3 vs. Winner Game 4, 4:15 p.m.

Granite City Regional
Thursday, May 29

Game 1: Civic Memorial 6, Granite City 2

Saturday, May 31
at Granite City
Game 2: Civic Memorial (5) vs. Edwardsville (1), 10 a.m.
Game 3: Alton (2) vs. Jerseyville (3), 12:30 p.m.

Tuesday, June 3
Championship: Winner Game 2 vs. Winner Game 3, 4 p.m.

Centralia Regional
Thursday, May 29
Game 1: Triad 14, Centralia 13 (9 inn.)
Game 2: O'Fallon 5, Mascoutah 4

Saturday, May 31
at Centralia
Game 3: O'Fallon (3) vs. Highland (2), 10 a.m.
Game 4: Triad (5) vs. Belleville East (1), noon

Tuesday, June 3
Championship: Winner Game 3 vs. Winner Game 4, 4 p.m.

Regional winners and winner of Marion advance to Edwardsville Sectional June 7-9. Winner advances to Class AA state tournament June 13-14 at Elftrom Stadium in Geneva.

State tournament
Friday, June 13
at Elftrom Stadium, Geneva
Game 1: Galesburg Sectional winner vs. South Holland Thornwood Sectional winner, 10 a.m.
Game 2: Chicago Public League winner vs. Barrington Sectional winner, 12:30 p.m.
Game 3: Springfield Sectional winner vs. Niles West Sectional winner, 3 p.m.
Game 4: Edwardsville Sectional winner vs. Oswego Sectional winner, 5:30 p.m.

Saturday, June 14
Game 5: Game 1 winner vs. Game 2 winner, 9 a.m.
Game 6: Game 3 winner vs. Game 4 winner, 11 a.m.
Third place: Game 5 loser vs. Game 6 loser, 3 p.m.
State championship: Game 5 winner vs. Game 6 winner, 7 p.m.

METRO EAST BASEBALL

Southwestern Conference

Team	Conf	Overall
Belleville East	12-2	24-7
Edwardsville	11-3	31-3
Alton	9-4	24-8
Belleville West	8-6	12-10
Collinsville	7-7	20-9
Granite City	4-10	12-14
East St. Louis	3-9	8-12
ESL Lincoln	0-12	0-16

Mississippi Valley

Team	Conf	Overall
Highland	10-2	25-10
Jerseyville	8-5	18-8
Triad	6-5	12-15
Roxana	6-6	17-13
Civic Memorial	5-6	16-16
Mascoutah	5-7	10-14
Wood River	0-10	4-18

Cahokia

Team	Conf	Overall
Wesclin	8-1	24-3
New Athens	6-1	19-7
Freeburg	5-2	21-11
Dupo	5-6	19-10
Marissa	5-6	9-12
Carlyle	4-6	11-13
Columbia	4-6	10-21
Lebanon	2-8	6-15
Red Bud	2-8	8-18
Breese C.	0-10	3-25

South Seven

Team	Conf	Overall
O'Fallon	6-2	19-9
Cahokia	5-1	12-13

Independents

Team	Overall
Gibault	25-9
Mater Dei	15-13
Alhough	18-18
Marquette	12-16
Oswestville	10-15
Okawville	9-16
M.E. Lutheran	6-17
Valmeyer	6-17

METRO EAST SOFTBALL

Southwestern

Team	Conf	Overall
Belleville East	14-0	31-2
Belleville West	11-3	22-4
Edwardsville	10-3	24-8
Granite City	8-7	12-14
Alton	5-7	15-13
Collinsville	5-7	15-13
Lincoln	1-10	1-13
East St. Louis	0-12	0-14

Mississippi Valley

Team	Conf	Overall
Highland	10-2	21-8
Civic Memorial	8-3	17-8
Jerseyville	8-3	17-8
Triad	6-5	10-14
Wood River	1-10	1-12
Roxana	0-11	1-21

South Seven

Team	Conf	Overall
O'Fallon	6-2	19-9
Cahokia	5-1	12-13

Independents

Team	Overall
Alhough	28-6
Gibault	25-9
Marquette	12-16
Oswestville	10-15
Mater Dei	15-13
M.E. Lutheran	6-17
Valmeyer	6-17

METRO EAST SOCCER

Southwestern Conference

Team	Conf	Overall
Granite City	5-0	19-21
Collinsville	4-1	14-40
Alton	4-3	17-29
Belleville East	2-3	19-53
Edwardsville	1-3	7-41
Belleville West	0-6	4-80
Lincoln	0-6	4-80

Mississippi Valley

Team	Conf	Overall
Highland	10-2	21-8
Civic Memorial	8-3	17-8
Jerseyville	8-3	17-8
Triad	6-5	10-14
Wood River	1-10	1-12
Roxana	0-11	1-21

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TRI-CITY POST 113

1997 Senior Legion

June

3 Troy	7:30 p.m.
4 Cahokia	7:30 p.m.
5 at Alton	7:30 p.m.
6 Fairview Heights	8 p.m.
9 at Dupo	6 p.m.
11 Waterloo	7:30 p.m.
12 Collinsville	7:30 p.m.
13 at Smithton	6 p.m.
16 Bethalto	8:30 p.m.
17 at Troy	8:30 p.m.
19 at Nashville	7:30 p.m.
21 Edwardsville	7:30 p.m.
22 Highland	1 p.m.
24 O'Fallon	7:30 p.m.
26 at Collinsville	7:45 p.m.
27 at Highland	8 p.m.
28 Marissa	2 p.m.
29 at Bethalto	1 p.m.

July

2-4 Tournament of Champions, TBA

7 Alton

8 at Edwardsville

10-13 Evansville (Ind.)

10 Evansville

11 Madison (Ind.)

12 Shelbyville (Ind.)

15 Belleville

July 18-24: District 22 Tournament

July 25-31: District 22 Championship

July 28-Aug. 1: FIBA Division I Tournament

Aug. 2-9: Illinois State Tournament

TRI-CITY POST 113

1997 Junior Legion

June

2 at Bethalto	6 p.m.
4 Cahokia	8:15 p.m.
7 Alton	1 p.m.
8 Red Bud	1 p.m.
10 Roxana	7 p.m.
11 Wood River	8:15 p.m.
12-15 Highland Tournament	(TBA)
16 at Wood River	6 p.m.
17 at Highland	8 p.m.
18 at Fairview Heights	7:30 p.m.
21 Edwardsville	5:15 p.m.
24 Bethalto	7 p.m.
26 Belleville	7:30 p.m.
27 Evansville (Ind.)	7 p.m.
29 at Freeburg	1 p.m.
30 at Edwardsville	7 p.m.

July

1 at Alton

2 Highland

8 at Roxana

9 Collinsville

10 at Troy

12 O'Fallon

July 17-22: District 22 Playoffs

July 24-25: FIBA Division I Tournament

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Prairie State North Region tryouts set

Elite teams in basketball, soccer, and volleyball are now being formed for the Southwestern North Region in the 14th annual Prairie State Games June 27-29.

The Southwestern North Region used to be included in the Southern Region, but the Prairie State Games has expanded from eight regions to 12 to make the Games more accessible for everyone. Players picked for the teams will represent the region against the state's 11 other regions in the PS&G Finals June 27-29 in Southwestern Illinois.

To be eligible, athletes must either be a resident or attend school in the counties of Madison, Jersey, Fayette, Bond and Calhoun. Collinsville High students living in St. Clair County are also eligible. There are two divisions — Scholastic (athletes currently in grades 8-12) and Open (beyond 12th grade).

The tryouts and contacts for the sports are as follows:

BASKETBALL
Open Men — 3 p.m. May 31 and June 1, Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville, Student Fitness Center, J.J. Bragg (656-3096).

Open Women — noon May 31 and June 1, SIUE, Student Fitness Center, Anthony Smith (692-1380).

Scholastic men — Contact Jeff Faulkenberg, 654-5329.
Scholastic women — 1-4 p.m. June 1, Lewis & Clark Community College, Bobby Everage (463-1470 or 314-946-0101, ext. 412).

SOCCER
Open men and scholastic men — 6 p.m. June 3, Bragg (See PS&G, Page 48)



Amber Hubert beats a defender to the ball. The Lady Warriors improved to 20-2-1 with Thursday's win over Collinsville.

Panthers blank Belleville East

By Brian Bretsch
Staff writer

O'Fallon soccer coach Dave Ames is pleased the two seeded teams in the Granite City Sectional faced each other for the championship Saturday afternoon.

Well, that's not totally accurate. When area coaches sat down a few weeks back to vote on the sectional seeds, the Panthers received the third seed behind Granite City and Althoff.

Ames didn't have a problem with the Lady Warriors being seeded first, but he was disappointed his troops were not the second seed ahead of Althoff. "I thought we were the No. 2

O'Fallon 2, Belleville East 0

OTHS EAST 1 0 - 2

First Half

OF — Amy Young (Shanniss Stock),

Second Half

OF — Kim Mocerri (unassisted),

70:55

Shots on Goal

EAST 5 6 - 11

OTHS 0 0 - 0

Corner Kicks

EAST 2 3 - 5

OTHS 2 2 - 4

Goalkeepers — East: Nikke Delgado

(16 shots, 16 saves), O'Fallon: Kelly

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"I knew they wouldn't quit. I thought we would be able to run them down a little bit sooner. In the last 10 minutes of the game, it was starting to catch up with them. I think a lot of that was competitive spirit on their part that they were not going to quit."

O'Fallon opened the scoring early at 3:35 when Shanniss Stock fired Amy Young fired in a shot past East keeper Nikke Delgado.

East came back a few minutes later and missed a golden opportunity when Shannon Bramble's header clanked off the crossbar.

East's best chance for the equalizer came with 35 seconds left in the first half, when Kelley Trageser hit a bomb from 40 yards out. The ball sailed over everyone and O'Fallon keeper Kelly Irwin had to make a diving save.

After a great second-half battle, O'Fallon sophomore Kim Mocerri gave the team some much-needed breathing room with a goal at 70:55.

East did put on a last-minute flurry that almost resulted in a goal. The Panthers finished the season with a 12-6 record.

"I'm real proud of their performance," East coach Mark Lesley said. "They fought the whole way. They never let down. They showed it in the last five minutes. Their goalie came up huge."

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Kickers

(Continued from Page 1B)

Roxie Simpson scored to put GCHS up 2-1. Murphy then replaced Roth in goal and shot off the line to deflect Amanda Kirksey's shot.

Kristin Stovall scored for the Lady Warriors, and Tasha Siegel scored for the Kahoks to make it 3-2.

After Angie Parker replaced Waitukaitis for the Kahoks, Jaime Dellbringe made it four in a row for GCHS with the next shot. Roth came in to face Cara LeMaster, and LeMaster floated her shot over the crossbar.

The comeback victory by the Lady Warriors (20-2-1) was a total team effort.

The Kahoks (14-7) jumped on top in the opening minute of the game. LeMaster broke free for a moment and blasted a shot to the upper left corner at 0:58.

Crystal Timmons tied it for GCHS at 11:37 when she broke loose on a play the Kahoks thought was dead because of an offside call.

On the play, the linesman snapped his flag and then raised it to indicate a GCHS player was offside.

Timmons never stopped hustling on the play. The referee never blew his whistle. In fact, he said, "Play on. Timmons grabbed the loose ball and fired a rocket past Waitukaitis.

At halftime, the referee told the Collinsville coaching staff that the player who was

flagged for being offside was not involved in the play and therefore did not stop play, which is the correct call.

"In our mind she was part of the play because the defender moved over to mark her up and (Timmons) got behind," Collinsville coach Deana Wallace said.

The two teams battled through an exciting second half of play. The Kahoks outshot the Warriors 5-4.

GCHS had three good opportunities. The Lady Warriors' best chance came when Dellbringe floated the ball to a wide-open Amber Hubert. With the net all to herself, Hubert promptly hit a volley shot over the crossbar.

The Kahoks' best opportunity came when Lori Benesh blasted a shot off the crossbar with eight minutes remaining.

With two minutes left in the game, Timmons had a head shot go off the crossbar after a feed by Montgomery.

GCHS completely dominated the two overtime periods. With 24 seconds left in the second overtime, Timmons shot a rarely used over the crossbar.

"I feel they were almost in the catbird's seat," Baker said of the Kahoks. "They had everything to gain and nothing to lose. We did beat them 3-out-of-3 this year, which has happened before but it is rare. We feel like that takes a special team. We feel that the girls have the potential to be a special team."

Tyler

(Continued from Page 1B)

night we got to Charleston, the girls had a short workout. Jamie said, "I feel comfortable here. It's my third year in a row at state and it feels just like any other track meet."

"That's when I knew she had a chance."

"On Friday, she cleared everything up to 5-5. Only four other girls did that."

Tyler hadn't come close to reaching 5-7 during the regular season, but Lee wasn't worried.

"She worked heavy on the weight early in the year, and that might have been a factor in her not jumping so well."

Lee said, "We stopped the weight training around May 1 and just tapered down. We hoped she would explode later in the season. This is definitely the strongest I've seen her."

"She's so competitive. She's always going to be up there with the leaders."

The 6-foot-1 Tyler said experience played a key role in winning the state title.

"I wasn't that nervous, which makes a difference," said Tyler, who also plays basketball and volleyball. "You know there's a lot of people there and you can be ready for it."

"I wanted to jump 5-8 since I

jumped 5-7 last year. After I cleared 5-7, (Lee) said 'You're in first place right now,' but after I missed 5-8 I just hoped the other girls wouldn't clear it. I didn't want to get too excited too early."

"The girls didn't even know who won it afterwards. My teammates said I didn't look happy, but I was."

Tyler is already thinking about defending her title in 1998.

"Last summer I was really busy and didn't get a chance to jump, but this year I hope to jump during the summer and the offseason," she said.

"That way you don't have to start completely over."

"The weather we had this year can slow you down, especially at the (St. Clair) county meet when it was so windy but I was lifting a lot at that point."

"Even at the (South Seven) conference meet, I wasn't jumping the way I wanted to. At the sectional, I only cleared 5-3, but my jumps felt a lot better."

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FAMILY

BIRTHS

Thebeau, Katie Kay
JOHN AND ANGELA THEBAU of Granite City have announced the birth of their fourth child, a daughter.

Katie Kay was born at 10:04 a.m. March 20, 1997, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City. She weighed 8 pounds, 6 ounces and joins brothers, John Jr., 10, Dustin, 9, and Joshua, 8.

Her maternal grandparents are Leslie and Sharon Thompson of Granite City.

Barbara Thebeau of Granite City is the paternal grandmother.

Williams, Keon Raashod
CORY AND TUNISIA WILLIAMS of Madison have announced the birth of their fourth child, a son.

Keon Raashod was born at 3:38 a.m. March 21, 1997, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City. He weighed 6 pounds, 5 ounces, and joins Cory, 7, and Martez, 5.

His maternal grandparents are Vera Wright and Ronnie Williams of Venice are the paternal grandparents.

Held, Michael Alan II
MICHAEL AND PATRICIA "DEE" HELD of Granite City have announced the birth of their first child, a son.

Michael Alan II was born at 6:44 a.m. March 21, 1997, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City. He weighed 6 pounds, 11 ounces, and joins his maternal grandparents, Donald and Brenda Mitchell of Granite City.

George "Mike" and Brenda Held of Granite City are the paternal grandparents.

Beeman, McLaine Reiley
KIRK AND KIMBERLY BEEMAN of Collinsville have announced the birth of their first child, a daughter.

McLaine Reiley was born at 9:52 a.m. March 21, 1997, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City. She weighed 6 pounds, 11 ounces.

Her maternal grandparents are Neil Randall of Collinsville and the late Sandra Randall.

Ken and Carol Beeman of St. Louis are the paternal grandparents.

Zobrist, Taylor Janay
TIM AND LESLIE ZOBKRIST of Poca-hontas have announced the birth of their first child, a daughter.

Taylor Janay was born at 4:40 p.m. March 23, 1997, at Anderson Hospital in Maryville. She weighed 7 pounds, 10 1/2 ounces.

Her maternal grandparents are Norma Siderer of Troy and the late James Siderer.

Rosa Zobrist of Poca-hontas and the late Ted Zobrist are the paternal grandparents.

Maternal great-grandparents are Norman Sarge of Pennsylvania and Helend Siderer of Decatur, Paternal great-grandparent is Nora Zobrist of Highland.

Adams, Hannah Nicole
RICHARD AND SARA ADAMS of Granite City have announced the birth of their third child, a daughter.

Hannah Nicole was born at 9:46 p.m. March 24, 1997, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City. She weighed 7 pounds, 7 ounces, and joins Michael, 5, and Tiffany, 19 months.

Her maternal grandparents are Harold and Shirley Pulley of Granite City.

Donna Adams of Collinsville is the paternal grandmother.

Gassmann, Hannah Jordan
MIKE AND RITA GASSMANN of Collinsville have announced the birth of their second child, a daughter.

Hannah Jordan was born at 2:50 p.m. March 26, 1997, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City. She weighed 5 pounds, 10 ounces, and joins a sister, Katie, 4.

Her maternal grandparents are Bud Renken of St. Louis and Janice Sutherland of Gulf Breeze, Fla.

Don and Carol Gassmann of Collinsville are the paternal grandparents.

Howard, Olivia Rose
TIM AND CHRIS HOWARD of Collinsville have announced the birth of their second child, a daughter.

Olivia Rose was born at 8:19 a.m. March 26, 1997, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City. She weighed 7 pounds, 6 ounces, and joins a brother, Blake, 5.

Her maternal grandparents are Sydney and Laura Sternberg.

Michael and Jane Starr of Caseyville.

Melba Howard of Fairmont City is the paternal grandmother.

Wallace, Tyler James
ROGER AND TRACEY WALLACE of Granite City have announced the birth of their third child, a son.

Tyler James was born at 4:48 a.m. March 26, 1997, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City. He weighed 7 pounds, 14 ounces, and joins Macie, 6, and Zachary, 4.

His maternal grandparents are Gary and Pat Morris of Granite City.

Luther and Fay Wallace of Granite City are the paternal grandparents.

Hampsey, Ryan Scott
CHRISTOPHER AND KATHRYN HAMPSLEY of Springfield have announced the birth of their first child, a son.

Ryan Scott was born at 12:21 a.m. March 30, 1997, at St. John's Hospital in Springfield. He weighed 4 pounds 9 ounces.

His maternal grandparents are Don and Jean Brown of Abingdon.

Steven and Donna Hampsey of Madison are the paternal grandparents.

The maternal great-grandparent is Marian Dechow of Abingdon. Paternal great-grandparents are Bill and Mary Dunn of Granite City; Bob and Joyce Abrecht of Granite City; and Steven and Pat Hampsey of Brownwood, Texas.

Sloss, Alexander Thomas
KEVIN AND PACHAREE SLOSS of Granite City have announced the birth of their fourth child, a son.

Alexander Thomas was born at 9:56 p.m. March 30, 1997, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City. He weighed 5 pounds, 10 ounces, and joins Douglas, 19 months, Ryan, 12, and Addison, 18 months.

His maternal grandparents are William and Joyce Sternberg of DeSoto, Mo., and Gary and Sompt Hines of Belleville.

The late William and Bernice Sloss are the paternal grandparents.

Maternal great-grandparents are Sydney and Laura Sternberg.

Legion convention scheduled for June 7

The annual 22nd District American Legion Auxiliary annual convention will be held at 9 a.m. Saturday, June 7. Coffee hour will begin at 8 a.m. at the American Legion Hall at the Freedom Farm in Belleville.

The 22nd District covers the 46 units in St. Clair, Monroe, Madison, Bond and Washington Counties. All chairmen will report on their yearly program achievements and awards to the units will be forthcoming.

President Mary Fitzhenrfer said Units should bring a copy of this article for her public relation book.

First vice president, Edith Reuhpr asks all units to bring at least one membership per capita to be presented to help make the group's 100 percent goal for the year.

Fitzhenrfer will report on the progress of the 22nd Districts Special Project of building an

outside pavilion for use by the patients at Jefferson Barracks Hospital. The funds have been raised to begin the project, and construction should begin this summer. Nomination and elections of officers for 1997-98 will be held. Delegates to the Department Convention in Springfield in July and the National Convention in Orlando, Fla. in August will also be chosen.

Attending the meeting will be past Department President Dorothy Hinson of Madison and 5th Division President Norma Hillmer.

That evening, a convention dinner and dance for Legion and Auxiliary members will be held at the Legion Hall in Fairmont City, where Commander Gerald Murphree and President Fitzhenrfer will be honored for their achievements this year.

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
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